It's Out at Laſt:

OR,

French Correſpondence

Clear as the SUN.

THere is a Story goes of an old Propheteſs, that Propheſied always true to no purpoſe; for her Fate was, never to be *believ'd*: The ſame thing has happen'd, to a worthy Patriot and Member of the Houſe of *Commons*, who has openly in his Speeches declar'd that he was ſure that the M——ſtry *Coreſponded* with *France*, and that in a little time there would appear manifeſt Proofs of it; but ſuch is the Stupidity or rather Malignancy of the *Tory*-Party, that they took no manner of notice of what this Eloquent Gentleman warn'd them of, in his pathetick Harangues, 'till now that they have a convincing Proof of it, with a witneſs, in this treacherous Surrender of *Dunkirk*.

It is judiciouſly obſerved by a learned Author, thatthe Fate of Princes and States is very hard; for Plots againſt them are never believ'd 'till they are executed, and conſequently without the poſſibility of being prevented, for every-body will allow me, that what is already executed, is ſo. I am afraid this will be ſoon verify'd upon this Nation, by the Clandeſtine giving up of that Important Place.

I take it, that the Surrender of *Dunkirk* is ſo plain a proof of our M——ſtry's Correſponding with *France*, that I ſhould pity any Man, as oppreſſed with a political Lethargy, ſhould he doubt of it any more: I ſay this as well to vindicate the Honour of that worthy Gentleman, as to awaken this inſenſible drouſy Nation, who cannot perceive that it is Day when the Sun ſhines.

It was pleaſantly ſaid by a *Swediſh* Poet,

Timeo Danos Dona ferentes.

I am afraid of the *Danes* when they bring Preſents.

Let us only conſider the value of this Preſent of the *French* Monſieur; the many Millions it has coſt him; the many more it has coſt us: It is not only giving us a ſtrong Fortification, but Fleets of Frigats and Privateers, and all Pretences afterwards to diſturb our Trade in the Channel, and all this is ſtill doubted when it is taken from him, and given to us: And can any Man imagine he does all this for nought? If any Man can ſhow me that ever he did the like before, I will yield the point; but if no ſuch Inſtance can be given, it muſt follow demonſtratively, that he reckons the preſent M——ſtry his Friends: for give me leave to ſay, no Man would make ſuch a valuable Preſent but to a Friend, and it were very unbecoming for any but a Friend to accept of it: Therefore I wiſh the Pa——ent would make the M——ſtry give an account if they came honeſtly by it.

I have often ruminated in my Mind, of the Reaſons that have induc'd the *F——h* Monſieur to make this Surrender; and I will give you my Conjectures in ſhort. I think, in the firſt place, it is not altogether improbable that he has Sold it now, as he Bought it before; and I wiſh that may not be the chief Reaſon of the Scarcity of Species at this time. 2*dly*, I believe he has done it out of pure ſpight to the *Whigs*, whom he knows to be his irreconcileable Enemies; and I will be bold to ſay, if he had been ſtudying for it, he could not have ſerv'd them a more malicious ſpightful Trick. 3*dly*, Why may it not be a Token of Love to the *Tories*, and particularly to my Lady *M——ſham*, for the great Service ſhe has done him: and I am the more confirm'd in my Opinion, ſince the Governor has been nam'd.

Let us now conſider the Difference between the Old and the New M——ſtry: They ſcorn'd to accept of *Dunkirk* and a dozen more ſtrong Towns of the *French* King, when they were offer'd; a plain and convincing Proof that they had no ſecret Dealings with *France*. The D. of *M——gh* ſcorn'd that modern Frenchify'd way of taking of Towns; he ſcorn'd ſo pitiful a Conqueſt, without Powder and Bullets, Blood and Wounds. By the ſame uncorrupt and generous Temper, they refus'd a Sum of Money which the *F——h* King offer'd them to help to drive the D. of *Anjou* out of *Spain*. *It ſhall never be ſaid that* England *took* French *Money*, was the Saying of a Great and a Wiſe Miniſter; a Saying which ought to be Engrav'd in Letters of Gold upon his Tomb-ſtone. O the miſerable Condition of the Nation, that has been forc'd to part with ſo uncorrupt, ſo wiſe, and ſo truly an *Engliſh* M——ry! Men that, for their own Ends, are carrying on private Bargains with our Enemies; in purſuance of which, they have not only accepted of *Dunkirk*, but would, without any manner of Heſitation, take *Toulon* and St. *Malo* too, if they were offer'd.

Thus I think it is plain, from what has been ſaid, that our M—ry are in a cloſe Correſpondence with *France*; and, that the *F——h* Monſieur expects Juſtice from them, not to ſay ſome little Favour to boot. I wiſh the Nation had open'd their Eyes before it was too late, and conſider'd well before they had any Dealings with the Devil; for it is well known, that when once he has drawn them in to accept of the leaſt Trifle as a Preſent, they are his for ever after.

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